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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Twelve bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2194–2205, and S. Res. 292–295.

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Measures Reported:

S. 1868, to extend by 15 years the authority of the Secretary of Commerce to conduct the quarterly financial report program, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 114–157)

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Measures Passed:

Protecting Our Infants Act: Senate passed S. 799, to address problems related to prenatal opioid use, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute and committee title amendment.

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Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act: Senate passed S. 1493, to provide for an increase, effective December 1, 2015, in the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans.

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25th Anniversary of the Reunification of Germany: Senate agreed to S. Res. 274, commemorating the 25th anniversary of the peaceful and democratic reunification of Germany.

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Filipino American History Month: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 283, designating October 2015 as "Filipino American History Month", and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Condemning the Senseless Murder and Wounding in Roseburg, Oregon: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 287, condemning the senseless murder and wounding of 18 individuals (sons, daughters, fathers, mothers, uncles, aunts, cousins, students, and teachers) in Roseburg, Oregon, on October 1, 2015, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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50th Anniversary of the Highway Beautification Act: Committee on Environment and Public

Works was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 288, commemorating October 22, 2015, as the 50th anniversary of the enactment of the Highway Beautification Act of 1965, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Day of the Deployed: Senate agreed to S. Res. 294, designating October 26, 2015, as Day of the Deployed. Page \$7477

National Veterans Small Business Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 295, designating the week of November 2 through November 6, 2015 as "National Veterans Small Business Week".

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Measures Considered:

Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of S. 754, to improve cybersecurity in the United States through enhanced sharing of information about cybersecurity threats, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Rejected:

By 32 yeas to 65 nays (Vote No. 282), Burr (for Paul) Modified Amendment No. 2564 (to Amendment No. 2716), to prohibit liability immunity to applying to private entities that break user or privacy agreements with customers.

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Pending:

Burr/Feinstein Amendment No. 2716, in the nature of a substitute. Page \$7430

Burr (for Cotton) Modified Amendment No. 2581 (to Amendment No. 2716), to exempt from the capability and process within the Department of Homeland Security communication between a private entity and the Federal Bureau of Investigation or the United States Secret Service regarding cybersecurity threats.

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Feinstein (for Coons) Modified Amendment No. 2552 (to Amendment No. 2716), to modify section 5 to require DHS to review all cyber threat indicators and countermeasures in order to remove certain personal information.

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Burr (for Flake/Franken) Amendment No. 2582 (to Amendment No. 2716), to terminate the provisions of the Act after six years.

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Feinstein (for Franken) Further Modified Amendment No. 2612 (to Amendment No. 2716), to improve the definitions of cybersecurity threat and cyber threat indicator.

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Burr (for Heller) Modified Amendment No. 2548 (to Amendment No. 2716), to protect information that is reasonably believed to be personal information or information that identifies a specific person.

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Feinstein (for Leahy) Modified Amendment No. 2587 (to Amendment No. 2716), to strike the FOIA exemption.

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Feinstein (for Mikulski/Cardin) Amendment No. 2557 (to Amendment No. 2716), to provide amounts necessary for accelerated cybersecurity in response to data breaches.

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Feinstein (for Whitehouse/Graham) Modified Amendment No. 2626 (to Amendment No. 2716), to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect Americans from cybercrime.

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Feinstein (for Wyden) Modified Amendment No. 2621 (to Amendment No. 2716), to improve the requirements relating to removal of personal information from cyber threat indicators before sharing.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 83 yeas to 14 nays (Vote No. 281), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on Burr/Feinstein Amendment No. 2716 (listed above).

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding rule XXII, that at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, October 27, 2015, the post-cloture time be considered expired on Burr/Feinstein Amendment No. 2716, and Senate vote on or in relation to the following amendments in the order listed: Feinstein (for Wyden) Modified Amendment No. 2621 (to Amendment No. 2716), Burr (for Heller) Modified Amendment No. 2548 (to Amendment No. 2716), Feinstein (for Leahy) Modified Amendment No. 2587 (to Amendment No. 2716), Burr (for Flake/Franken) Amendment No. 2582 (to Amendment No. 2716), and Feinstein (for Franken) Further Modified Amendment No. 2612 (to Amendment No. 2716); that following the disposition of Feinstein (for Franken) Further Modified Amendment No. 2612 (to Amendment No. 2716), Senate recess until 2:15 p.m. for the weekly conference meetings; that the time from 2:15 p.m. until 4 p.m. be equally divided in the usual form, and that at 4 p.m., Senate vote on or in relation to the following amendments in the order listed: Feinstein (for Coons) Modified Amendment No. 2552 (to Amendment No. 2716), Burr (for Cotton) Modified Amendment

No. 2581 (to Amendment No. 2716), and Burr/Feinstein Amendment No. 2716, as amended, if amended; and that if cloture is invoked on the bill, all post-cloture time be yielded back, and Senate vote on passage of the bill, as amended, if amended, without any intervening action or debate. Page S7439

Vilardo Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing at 5 p.m., on Monday, October 26, 2015, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Lawrence Joseph Vilardo, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York; that there be up to 30 minutes of debate on the nomination, and that following the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, without intervening action or debate; and that no further motions be in order to the nomination.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By a unanimous vote of 93 yeas (Vote No. EX. 283), Julie Furuta-Toy, of Wyoming, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea.

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Dennis B. Hankins, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea. Page \$7439

Harry K. Thomas, Jr., of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zimbabwe. Page \$7439

Robert Porter Jackson, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ghana.

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- 5 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.
- 3 Army nominations in the rank of general.
- 2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general
 - 3 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Nomination Discharged: The following nomination were discharged from further committee consideration and placed on the Executive Calendar:

Ann Calvaresi Barr, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, United States Agency for International Development, which was sent to the Senate on May 11, 2015, from the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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Messages from the House: Page \$7460

Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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Measures Read the First Time: Pages S7460, S7477

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Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—283) Pages \$7434-35, \$7439

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:55 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, October 26, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$7477.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

GLOBAL CHALLENGES

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine global challenges, United States national security strategy, and defense organization, after receiving testimony from Eliot A. Cohen, and Thomas G. Mahnken, Advanced Strategy Program, both of Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, and Kathleen H. Hicks, Center for Strategic and International Studies International Security Program, all of Washington, D.C.; and Walter Russell Mead, The Hudson Institute, New York, New York.

PUERTO RICO

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Puerto Rico, focusing on the economy, debt, and options for Congress, after receiving testimony from Representative Pierluisi; Antonio Weiss, Counselor to the Secretary, Department of the Treasury; Puerto Rico Governor Alejandro J. Garcia Padilla, and Sergio M.

Marxuach, Center for a New Economy, both of San Juan; and Steven M. Fetter, Regulation UnFettered, Port Townsend, Washington.

PAY FLEXIBILITIES IN THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management concluded a hearing to examine improving pay flexibilities in the Federal workforce, after receiving testimony from Brenda Roberts, Deputy Associate Director, Pay and Leave, Employee Services, Office of Personnel Management; Debra A. Warner, Director of Civilian Force Management, Deputy Chief of Staff for Manpower, Personnel and Services, Department of the Air Force, Department of Defense; Linda Jacksta, Assistant Commissioner, Office of the Human Resources Management, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security; and Anthony M. Reardon, National Treasury Employees Union, and William Dougan, National Federation of Federal Employees, both of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 2123, to reform sentencing laws and correctional institutions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 18 Public bills, H.R. 3797–3814; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 70; and H. Res. 486–488 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 1090, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to provide protections for retail customers, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–304, Part 1); and

H.R. 2583, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide for greater transparency and efficiency in the procedures followed by the Federal Communications Commission, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–305).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Fleischmann to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:42 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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